

Panama Canal Regulations

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vessel under its supervision, it shall require the owners of the vessel to make inclining tests on such vessels, under the general supervision of the Marine Safety Unit.

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§ 121.77 Inspection of steam pipes.

When inspecting a vessel the inspectors shall carefully examine all steam pipes passing through woodwork, and if the same are deemed unsafe they shall be provided with an air space and fitted with metal collars.

§ 121.78 Deep-sea sounding apparatus.

All ocean passenger or freight steam vessels of 500 gross tons and upwards shall be equipped with an efficient mechanical deep-sea sounding apparatus ready for immediate use in addition to the ordinary deep-sea hand lead.

§ 121.79 Carrying of excess steam.

When it is known or comes to the knowledge of the Marine Safety Unit that any steam vessel is or has been carrying an excess of steam beyond that which is allowed by her certificate of inspection, the Marine Safety Unit shall require the owner of said vessel to place on the boiler a lockup safety valve, that will prevent the carrying of an excess of steam, which shall be under the control of the Marine Safety Unit.

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§ 121.80 Signaling lamps.

Ocean and coastwise vessels of over 150 gross tons shall be equipped with an efficient signaling lamp. The lamp shall be so connected that it can be operated from the normal source of ship's current, the emergency source, and other emergency batteries if provided.

§ 121.81 Steering gear tests.

On all ocean vessels subject to the provisions of this part, making voyages of more than 48 hours duration, the entire steering gear, the whistle, the means of communication and signaling appliance between the bridge or pilot house and the engine room shall be examined and tested by a licensed officer of the vessel within a period of not more than 12 hours before leaving port.

All such vessels making voyages of less than 48 hours duration shall be so examined and tested at least once in every week. The fact and time of such examination and test shall be recorded in the vessel's log book.

§ 121.82 Hatches.

The master of any vessel subject to this part shall assure himself before proceeding to sea that all exposed cargo hatches of his vessel are properly covered.

§ 121.83 Draft.

The master of every seagoing vessel subject to this part shall, whenever leaving port, enter the maximum draft of his vessel in the log book.

§ 121.84 Lookouts and fire patrolmen.

(a) Every vessel subject to this part shall have a lookout at all times at or near the bow during the nighttime.

(b) On every passenger vessel having berth or stateroom accommodations for passengers there shall be maintained an efficient watch by the fire patrol so as to cover all parts of the vessel accessible to passengers or crew, except machinery spaces, spaces occupied by passengers or crew as sleeping accommodations and cargo compartments which are inaccessible to passengers or crew while the passenger vessel is being navigated.

(c) A patrolman while on duty shall have no other tasks assigned to him and shall report to the bridge once every hour.

§ 121.85 Sanitation.

The master and chief engineer of any vessel under supervision of the Marine Safety Unit shall see that the vessel and the passenger and crew quarters are kept in a sanitary condition.

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§ 121.86 Fuel tanks; fuel piping.

Fuel tanks and fuel piping on vessels subject to this part shall be installed in accordance with the marine engineering regulations and material specifications of the United States Coast Guard, unless otherwise provided for in this part.